



October 2023

Elwha News

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LOWER ELWHA KLALLAM TRIBE

Stay in the know, keep connected, and be prepared!

We are excited to announce the release of the Lower Elwha Klallam Camp Crier mobile application, a communication tool for our community.

Download the Lower Elwha Klallam Camp Crier app now for IOS in the App Store and on Google Play for Android.



Scan to
download on
Google devices



Scan to
download on
Apple devices



Why the name "Camp Crier" In many Native American cultures, those who shared news with the tribe or clans are called Camp Criers. In the past, Camp Criers would travel from camp to camp sharing important information with the people.



Letter From the Co-Chair

October 2023

Dear Lower Elwha Tribal Community,

October is already upon us. Halloween is near. Of course we have Columbus Day upon us also. We don't celebrate that day. We turned it into Indigenous Day. I like what former Senator Ben Nighthorse Campbell said about Columbus. Ben Nighthorse Campbell is an Air Force Veteran. He said something like, "I can say for all Native American Veterans, We are happy Columbus wasn't looking for Turkey!" Indian humor for sure.

I wanted to encourage our membership and community to use our food bank more. Right now it is used by our outside community more than our people use it. The Elwha Food Bank has quality food and it is very easy to access. Not many questions about you or your family. I think we just want to know how many people in your residence. Anyway... check it out.

Elwha Tribe applied for a grant that will bring more food to us. Funding that can be used for seafood, elk, deer and other traditional foods. This will be separate from our food bank and just for our community. I don't know when we will actually have the funding but I know that it has been awarded. When we have give more details, I will be sure to share.

There has been much news about the Place Road Clear Cut. Our Council and staff have looked into this cut. We feel that it will not affect the Elwha River and the restoration efforts that have taken place. Personally, I don't want any trees cut near our river. Washington State Department of Natural Resources has done everything by the book. Meaning that they followed the law. The only way Elwha Tribe could stop it is by changing the law. Now... Elwha Tribe did have a hand in stopping the proposed gravel pit a few years back. I am proud of that. I know we have some members that think we could stop the cut. We evaluated the situation and came to the conclusion not to engage. We will make sure they do follow the law and monitor.

By the time you read this letter we will have more funding available at the transfer station in Port Angeles for free dumping. This is a very expensive benefit for our members but Elwha Council feels it is necessary. There are always members and outsiders that take advantage of this free dump. For example, some have given or loaned their Tribal I. D. to outsiders for them to dump free. When we find out about this activity, we take that individuals benefit away. We have stopped the commercial use and the dumping of engines and boats. It is supposed to be for household garbage.

This month we start our first fishery in the Elwha River. YaHoo!!!! It is a very exciting time and I will report out on how it goes in my next letter. I know we will be successful and our fishers will have a fair shot at taking home Coho Salmon. It has been eleven long years since we have had nets in the water. Although I do not participate in hook and line fishery, mostly because I am not good at it! I am excited to have our fishers on the river with fishing



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fishing poles also. We have been very patient waiting for our opportunity to renew our fishery and traditions on the river.

We just finished up with our Budget Retreat. We have to tighten up a little bit. I think we are in a good place. We haven't finalized anything yet but we are getting closer. Our budget process is time consuming. Council and lead staff have been working diligently to get it done. Thank you Tonya Greene, Froilan and Company. These years I don't have a dark and gloomy outlook towards budget work. The ominous cloud isn't hanging over my head anymore. I actually look forward to spending time on our budget. Full council and lead staff are present. We discuss what our needs are and plan to achieve them. Of course, the Strategic Plan is always in the front of my mind when I think about our budget.

Elwha Council and staff visited our US Coast Guard Station Port Angeles recently. USCG is wanting to deal with bank erosion that is taking away the spit and potentially some buildings at the station. They want to use rip rap and we want to discuss use a more natural protection such as logs. They are willing to listen to us as we do have rights out there and Government to Government laws. I think we can work together.

Thank you again for taking the time to read my letter. I will be back with another one next month.

Respectfully,

Russell (RAZZ) N. Hepfer





Tribal Operations/Public Health Officer Update

COVID 2023-2024 Vaccine

By the time you read this, the new COVID vaccine should be out! Call your health provider to schedule your 2023-2024 COVID shot.

\$250 for 2023-2024 COVID Vaccines!

The COVID vaccine support program has increased the amount for the 2023-2024 COVID vaccines. Adults can now receive \$250 check for their vaccine, and youth receive \$150 Walmart gift card.

Adults online form
found by scanning
the QR code



Youth online form
found by scanning
the QR code



Lower Elwha Camp Crier Mobile App

We are excited to announce the launch of our Lower Elwha Klallam Tribe Camp Crier app! Please visit the app store/Google Play store to download the app and begin to receive updates on news, announcements, and community happenings.

Air Quality Monitoring

Our air quality monitors are integrated into the Camp Crier app and programmed to send alerts via Camp Crier to notify the community of extended periods of poor air quality. For real-time air quality visit www.purpleair.com, or scan the QR code.



- Tia Skerbeck, Tribal Operations/Public Health Officer



Lower Elwha Klallam Tribe

2023–2024

COVID VACCINE

COVID-19 Vaccine Promotion



18+
\$250 Check

17 and under
\$150 Walmart
gift card



Scan QR code to apply

ELIGIBILITY

COVID-19 Fully Vaccinated and received booster

- Enrolled Lower Elwha Klallam Tribe Members
- Lower Elwha Klallam Tribe employees
- First generation Lower Elwha Klallam Tribe descendants
- Significant partners of Lower Elwha Klallam Tribal Members, descendants, and Lower Elwha Klallam Tribal Employees.



-Must provide proof of vaccination-



Wellness

BREAST CANCER AWARENESS MONTH

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GET YOUR FREE SYMPTOM GUIDE
AND MORE RESOURCES AT:



nationalbreastcancer.org



Wellness



**WE WOULD
NOT BE BETTER OFF
WITHOUT YOU.**



IF YOU ARE IN CRISIS OR JUST NEED TO TALK

Dial 9-8-8

#SuicidePreventionAwareness



LEFA



Lower Elwha Klallam Tribe - Lower Elwha Family Advocacy Program (Social Services Department)

3080 Lower Elwha Road; Office (360) 565-7275 ext. 7453; (360) 460-1745;

(360) 775-9346 crisis or non-crisis matters.

E-mail: Beatriz.arakawa@elwha.org

Assistance to Victims of Domestic Violence, Sexual Assault, Dating Violence, Stalking, and Provide Prevention/Awareness and Support Group.

Mission: Victim's Safety and Autonomy through Advocacy and Community Awareness

Dearest Tribal Members and Readers,

October is National Domestic Violence Awareness Month. What does this mean?

"October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month (DVAM). During DVAM, victim advocates, allied professionals, survivors of abuse, their loved ones, and the surrounding community come together to mourn the lives lost to domestic violence, celebrate the progress that has been made to end this epidemic, and connect with others working to create change. This tip sheet provides suggestions on what individuals and organizations can do to help raise awareness of domestic violence using the hashtag #1Thing to demonstrate that everyone can play a role in bringing about change".

<https://www.acf.hhs.gov/ofvps/fact-sheet/october-domestic-violence-awareness-month>

This year, the Elwha community, we will be commemorating the National DV Awareness or the domestic violence awareness walk, **"No One Walks Alone": ʔáwəna húʔiʔs ʔəl šátəŋ** on Wednesday, October 18th at 4 pm from Tribal Center to River Casino and back. But if it rains, we will be staying in the Tribal Gym. Please join us as family, friends, and neighbors. Bring your drums, songs and stories as there will be opened sharing, food, and silhouettes exhibit. Heartfelt gratitude to Elwha Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault Task Force Team/Supporters for continuing partnerships. If you would like to volunteer into this event or have any questions, please contact the Elwha Social Services at 360-565-7257 or Beatriz at 360-460-1745.

Types and example of domestic violence/abuse: From Power and Control Wheel

Physical – Coercion, threats, intimidation, push, sexual violence/abuse, kill, destroying things, and /or abuse pet

Emotional – name calling, humiliating victim

Financial – not allowing partner to get a job, have no access to family income

Social – controlling and limiting victim whereabouts and what she does

Psychological – blaming, minimizing and denying victim

"Parent in the know" – **prevention class** is open to parents, caregivers, providers, any adults. Starts Tuesday, October 17th at 11 am to 12:30 pm at Social Services Dept. It's every Tuesday for 10 weeks. Interested? Contact Beatriz at above contact information.



LEFA

Resources: 9-1-1

National DV hotline: 800-799-7233

LEFA: 360-460-1745 or 360-775-9346
HELP

Mariposa House: 360-374-6411

StrongHeart - Native Hotline: 1-844-7NATIVE
Healthy Family of Clallam County: 360-452-

Crime Victim Advocate: 360-775-5029

So far, LEFA staff is scheduled for several awareness and prevention

10/05 (9:00 – 11:00 am) - *Elwha SART Soft Opening* – Elwha Clinic – sponsored by the Police Department

10/17 (6:30 pm) – North Olympic Library System – “*Confronting Violence*” Exhibition, Documentary, and Reception; Open for public - Age appropriate 15 year-old and up.

10/17 (11:00 – 12:30 pm) beginning of “*Parent in the Know*” – prevention class at Social Services Dept.

10/18 (10:00 am – 1:00 pm) *Clallam Job Fair* – Vern Burton Center; open for public.

10/18 (4:00 pm – 7:00 pm) – Domestic Violence Awareness Walk – “*No One Walks Alone* - *Ṗáwəná hú?i?s Ṗəl šátəŋ*.” Elwha Tribal Center; Community event – all ages!



KC Overdose awareness



Working Group meeting



Elwha Back to School

In Solidarity, *October 9th is Indigenous Day. Happy Indigenous Holiday Day!*

Beatriz B. Arakawa, LEFA Program Manager and Victim Advocate

∞SUICIDE AWARENESS∞

Call for HOPE!

The **Lower Elwha Mental Health** team is here to support your healing journey.

If you are hurting, call for an appointment with our team at [\(360\) 565-7264](tel:3605657264)

If you or someone you know is in crisis, call

- ❖ 9-1-1 emergency
- ❖ 9-8-8 mental health emergency
- ❖ 1-888-910-0416 24-hour crisis line
- ❖ Text INDIGENOUS to 741741

Whatever you do...

∞CHOOSE HOPE∞

Vaccines may seem scary and painful, but it's a good thing that you're so brave and STRONG





Health Department



SWIMMING WELLNESS PASSES



This one time service offers assistance at pulling together to overcome the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic, by encouraging and promoting health and wellness through physical activity in LEKT families, youth, and adults, to lessen the families' financial burden and expand opportunities to recover and thrive.

Lower Elwha Contract Health is offering a *one time* family swimming pass (12 visits) to Shore Aquatic Center in Port Angeles

Passes will be handed out beginning:
4/14/23 at
The Lower Elwha Clinic
2443511 US 101
Port Angeles, WA
98363
8:00 A.M.– 6:00 P.M.

PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

- Enrolled LEKT tribal member 18 or older, 1st generation descendent
- Must be contract health services eligible
- Updated PAO21 on file
- Completed needs assessment form
- One pass per eligible household/ person
- Must reside in Clallam County

If you are an elder, or need assistance please contact: Corina Bolstrom
360-452-6252 Ext 7613.

** If you have received a 12-month pass from the LEKT elders program, or a diabetic pass from LEHD you are not currently eligible for this program**

Visit www.elwha.org/covid/mental-health-resources/ for the fillable form and complete program policy.



Health Department



LOWER ELWHA HEALTH DEPARTMENT

243 511 Highway 101 West
Port Angeles, WA 98363

(360) 452-6252
Fax: (360) 452-6274

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS MEDICAL TRAVEL

Who is eligible for medical travel:

Lower Elwha Klallam Tribal members who are PRC/CHS eligible.

What is medical travel:

Medical travel for PRC is funds used to assist tribal members who have appointments outside of Clallam county. This program pays for a per diem stipend of \$50 per day, per tribal member. Hotel stay if applicable, and fuel of \$50(Bremerton) \$75 King county. Ferry passes

What are the requirements:

PRC is the payer of last resort, tribal members who have Medicaid will need to utilize those services first for Fuel and Ferry. You will be required to submit a travel form (available at the clinic) with proof of appt outside Clallam county.

FAQ:

- Travel forms must be submitted 10 business day before travel.(this gives accounting time to process checks)
- In house items include(ferry passes and fuel vouchers)
- Forms turned in will be processed in accordance with the policies, you will be called if more information is needed.
- The policies for medical travel can be found on the front page of the travel form.
- All efforts are made to get thing processed quickly, turning things in before travel helps us insure that we can help you with your travel needs.
- Upon return of travel all receipts must be turned in or you will be denied for future medical travel assistance.
- If you lose a receipt we have a lost receipt form that must be submitted.
- We only pay for patient and driver (in cases) for per diem.
- Hotel are only authorized for appts that require you to be there before 9 am. Elders that time is 10am.
- Summer time is hard to get hotels as we are a tourist spot on the northwest. We ask that you make all regular appointments for later times during the summer months as we cannot guarantee a hotel room for you.
- If you have Medicaid insurance you will need to submit your driver license, car insurance and car registration to Fueldocs@paratransit.net and call 1-800-756-5438 to set up account and get fuel card and ferry card
- We will always help with travel until you get set up with paratransit, and in case that paratransit denies services, with denial in writing.

If you have any further questions please call Corina Bolstrom at 360-452-6252 Ext 7613 or 360-797-3156

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Providing high quality, comprehensive, and culturally competent health care to all who seek our services.



Dental Clinic

Welcome Danielle!



The Dental Clinic is pleased to have Danielle Johnson join our team as a Patient Service Representative!

I am so excited to be back, working for the Elwha Tribe and in the dental world again. If I haven't had the pleasure to meet you, my name is Danielle Johnson and I have been a part of this community for a long time. If you find yourself at the clinic, I'd love to meet you!

When I'm not running along sidelines or cheering on my kids in the stands, you will find me on our farm with the husband, Eric Johnson (Little Eric, to most) tending to the cows, pigs, rabbits, and all things poultry. All that and finally back in real estate, on the side, life never has a dull moment!

Can't wait to see you around!



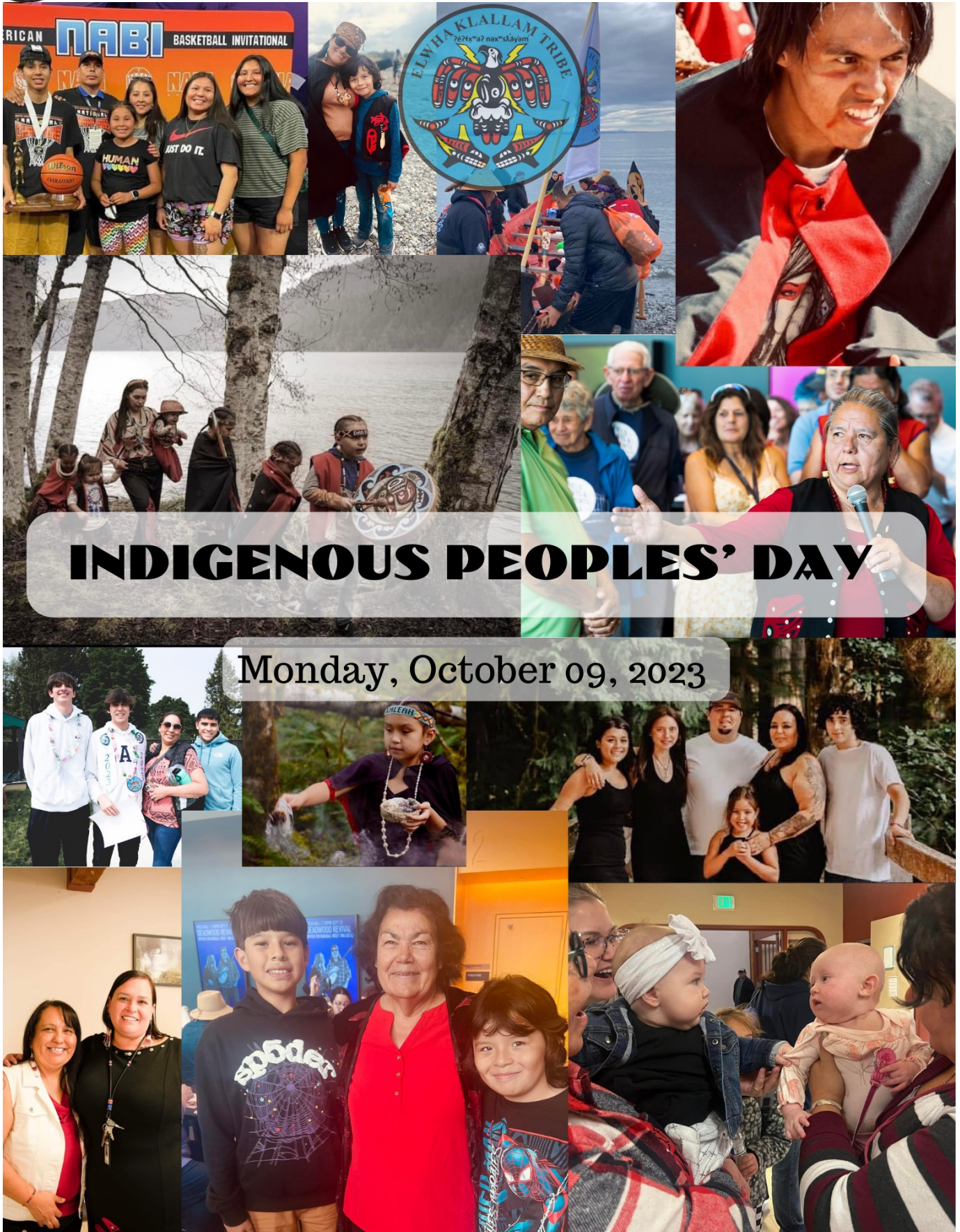
October is National Dental Hygiene Month

Don't forget to give your teeth some love! Brushing your teeth in the morning and evening for at least 2 minutes is a great way to keep the sparkle in your smile. Double the fun if you have an electric toothbrush. In addition to brushing, keeping the in-between spaces of your teeth clean with dental floss, brushing or scraping your tongue, and visiting the dentist regularly are all great ways to make sure you feel good about your smile.

Did you know Elwha Klallam tribal members are eligible for Sonicare toothbrushes when they complete their dental treatment? What better way to celebrate dental hygiene month than to make an appointment with the dentist for an exam and cleaning!



Indigenous Peoples' Day





North Olympic Library System

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Contact: Clair Dunlap, Youth Services Librarian
360.417.8500 x7734 or CDunlap@nols.org
Re: Third Annual Indigenous Peoples' Day Poetry Reading

The North Olympic Library System (NOLS) is hosting the third annual Indigenous Peoples' Day Poetry Reading in celebration of poetry created and performed by Native poets. Gather in person at ʔaʔkʷustəŋáwtx̣ House of Learning, Peninsula College Longhouse on the Port Angeles campus on Monday, October 9 from 5:30-7:30pm, or watch the livestream on Zoom. Visit nols.org/IPD or contact the Library for Zoom information.

The event begins with a reading by Arianne True, the [2023-2025 Washington State Poet Laureate](#). A member of the Choctaw and Chickasaw nations, Arianne is a queer poet and teaching artist. She has received fellowships and residencies from Jack Straw, the Hugo House, Artist Trust, and the Seattle Repertory Theater, and is an alum of Hedgebrook and of the MFA program at the Institute of American Indian Arts.

Following Arianne's reading, there will be an open mic for Indigenous community members to share their poetry. A sign-up sheet will be available at the event and participation by Native poets of all experience levels is encouraged.

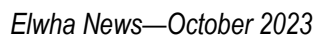
At the request of a key event participant, attendees are asked to avoid using strong fragrances.

Indigenous Peoples' Day is a national holiday that honors the Indigenous peoples of what is now known as North America. First celebrated in 1992 on the second Monday in October, Indigenous Peoples' Day was officially proclaimed a national holiday in 2021.

This program is generously supported by Peninsula College, ArtsWA, Humanities Washington, and the Port Angeles Friends of the Library. For additional information on programs and services happening at your library, visit nols.org, email Discover@nols.org, or follow North Olympic Library System on Facebook and Instagram.



Arianne True, the 2023-2025 Washington State Poet Laureate. Photo courtesy of ArtsWA..



Field Arts & Events Hall

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Creations by the Klallam People



Saturday, October 14

1 - 4 pm

Demonstrations by wool blanket weaver, Kelly Sullivan
(Port Gamble) and button blanket maker, Celeste
(Jamestown).

Saturday, October 21

1 - 4 pm

Exhibit closing celebration. Gathering to honor the artists.



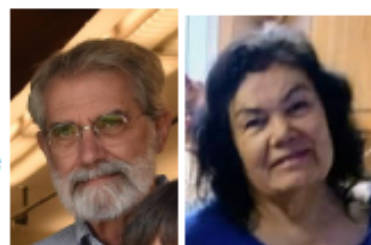


Language & Culture

Klallam Language at Stevens Middle School & Port Angeles High School Update

By Wendy Sampson

The 2023-2024 school year is off to a great start. This is the 3rd year of having Klallam language classes at SMS, & the 24th year for PAHS. This is my 3rd year as a school-teacher and I'm so happy to be able to learn from & work with Jamie Valadez as a mentor teacher, who taught at PAHS since 1999 and directed the language program since it's inception in 1992. In her "retirement" she is still pushing the language forward by training me, working with linguist Tim Montler to revise the Klallam grammar lessons & create student workbooks & elder's story books for classroom use with a lesson schedule & assessments. With funding and support from the ANA American Rescue Plan Grant, the Lower Elwha Tribe and Port Angeles School District we've been able to carry on this important work in the schools despite the challenges we faced during COVID. We hope to keep developing and implementing curriculum for many years to come.



Tim Montler

Jamie Valadez

This year the SMS language class & the PAHS Year 1 class are full to capacity! That's record breaking for both classes! The 2nd/3rd year PAHS class has 9 amazing students excited to learn more grammar & conversation, with plans to translate children's books to read to elementary students as a class project. The Native American Studies Classes (WA State History & U.S. History) are also both good sizes.

I am looking for items from tribes around the country for educational purposes. I have baskets and cedar items from PNW but would love to have tangible items from SW, SE, NE, Plains, Great Basin, Plateau, even Alaska and Hawaii! I'm also looking for anyone who would be willing to cook and deliver food for our Native American Club meetings which will be on the First Fridays of each month. There is \$150/month budget for food supplies. I can be reached at (360)565-1550 (after 2 please) or email me at wendy.sampson@portangelesschools.org



Photos of the PAHS Classroom



Language & Culture



Klallam Language Department Middle School Program Update

Dear Elwha Community,

The school year is upon us! I have spent the beginning of the school year working with our Klallam Language Class at Stevens Middle School. We have 20 students this semester. It is our biggest group yet. I have also been meeting with the administrators and departments (i.e., Social Studies, Science, and English) at Stevens in upholding our mission to implement tribal curriculum and culture across campus.

Over the last 2 years, we have successfully piloted curriculum in Social Studies, Science, and English. This year will focus on building on that incredible moment and cultivate access to all school staff to use in the classroom. This will restart as soon as the week of September 28, 2023 in science for their Elwha River field trips.

Other goals for this year is to increase our tribal presence at Stevens. Some of the ideas include translating monthly traits into Klallam Language, share Phrases of the Week in Klallam during morning announcements, and incorporate language and culture during school assemblies and the Native American after school homework club ran by our Education Department staff member.

Watch for more updates as we move forward with the mission and vision of our work! If you have any questions regarding the work being done, please reach out via email at Jonathan.Arakawa@elwha.org or phone at 360-452-8471, ext. 7395. We are incredibly excited for this land of opportunity!

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Jonathan Arakawa
Klallam Language Teacher
Lower Elwha Klallam Tribe



Drum Group and Community Class Schedule

sx^wúpč -October

10/3/23	Rattle Carving	10 am-7 pm
10/10/23	Drum Group	5 pm-7 pm
10/17/23	Rattle Carving	10 am-7 pm
10/22/23	Rattle Carving	10 am– 2 pm



**nəx^wsłáyəm' Song and Dance practice will be hosted by Port Gamble, a notice will be posted on Camp Crier for the date and time.*

čənháʔnəŋ -November

11/3/23	Coastal Jam at University of Washington 4249 Little Canoe Channel NE, Seattle, WA 98105	
11/5– 11/9	1 pm-7 pm	Wool fringe shawls
11/14/23	5 pm– 7pm	Drum Group
11/20-11/22	1pm– 7 pm	Wool fringe shawls
11/28/23	5-7 pm	Drum Group

All Drum Group and Community classes will be held at the Culture Center, 322 Stratton Rd. Call to reserve a rattle kit because we have a limited supply.

TRIBAL ROYALTY COMPETITION October 24th held in the gymnasium at 6 pm. Please be there to support our youth as we honor the next Elwha Warriors.



Head Start & Early Head Start



First day of school was a success. So proud of our Head Start and Early Head Start parents. Thank you to our Teachers and staff for all they do. Our first week was a success.

Parent Orientation had a huge turnout. We had 35 students 29 families attend. Snacks and drinks were provided.

Goodies with Grandparents we had many grandparents come to have a snack with their grandbabies. Parents and grandparents were very happy.



Open enrollment throughout the year. If you have or know of a child who is 1 month to 4 years old Before August 31, please put an application in.

Prenatal has two openings come on in or give us a call

Family Night is October 17 project to be announced we will be having a sign up sheet for participation due to the number of families who want to attend. Thank you.



Policy Council: We will be doing nominations in September and Elections in October. If you are a Head Start or Early Head Start parent you qualify to be on the policy council.





Library

October is Hispanic Heritage Month

Officially beginning September 15th and running through October 15th, Hispanic Heritage Month honors the cultures and contributions of the Hispanic and Latinx communities to American culture and history. The Library will be celebrating for the entire month of October by featuring books by Hispanic and Latinx authors.

- *Frizzy* by Claribel A. Ortega
- *Burn Down, Rise Up* by Vincent Tirado
- *The Last Cuentista*, by Donna Barba Higuera
- *How Moon Fuentes Fell in Love with the Universe*, by Raquel Vasquez



Visit the Library for Spooky Stories

Fall has arrived, and that, along with October, brings the spooky season of Halloween! The Library will be celebrating all month long, by featuring books about the holiday, as well as scary stories in general. From classics like Mary Shelly's *Frankenstein* to the modern thrillers of Stephen Graham Jones, we have a number of scary stories for this Halloween season. A few favorites:

- *A Super Spooky Narwhalloween* by Ben Clanton
- *Goosebumps: The Haunted Mask* by R. L. Stine
- *How to Catch a Witch* by Alice Walstead
- *Peanuts Deluxe Holiday Collection* DVD



Weekly Classes for October

We are continuing our weekly class series each Tuesday at 5-6pm in the Library. This month's classes will all feature Northstar Digital Literacy with the opportunity to take a proctored exam at the end to achieve certification in each subject. The schedule is as follows: Oct. 10th: MS Word, Oct. 17th: MS PowerPoint, Oct. 24th: MS Excel, Oct. 31st: Career Search Skills.

Library Closed Oct. 23-27

The Library will be closed for the week of Oct. 23-27. We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause. The elementary Afterschool Program will operate as normal.



Recreation Calendar

OCTOBER 2023						
SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
1	2 8AM PERSONAL TRAINING 9AM & 11AM ELDERS MOVEMENT 215-615 ASP GYM ACTIVITIES 630PM BASKETBALL	3 8AM PERSONAL TRAINING 1130 LUNCHTIME FITNESS ACTIVITY 215-615 ASP GYM ACTIVITIES 530 PITCHING 630 ADULT DODGEBALL	4 8AM PERSONAL TRAINING 9AM & 11AM ELDERS MOVEMENT 215-615 ASP GYM ACTIVITIES 630PM VOLLEYBALL	5 8AM PERSONAL TRAINING 1130 LUNCHTIME FITNESS ACTIVITY 215-615 ASP GYM ACTIVITIES 530 PITCHING 630PM SOCCER	6 8AM PERSONAL TRAINING 9AM & 11AM ELDERS MOVEMENT 215-615 ASP GYM ACTIVITIES GROUP 2 - MARYMERE FALLS HIKE - PROJECT VENTURE - 1st-6th - 230	7 GYM CLOSED SHORT STAFF
8	9 8AM PERSONAL TRAINING 9AM & 11AM ELDERS MOVEMENT 215-615 ASP GYM ACTIVITIES 630PM BASKETBALL	10 8AM PERSONAL TRAINING 1130 LUNCHTIME FITNESS ACTIVITY 215-615 ASP GYM ACTIVITIES 530 PITCHING 630 ADULT DODGEBALL	11 8AM PERSONAL TRAINING 9AM & 11AM ELDERS MOVEMENT 215-615 ASP GYM ACTIVITIES PROJECT VENTURE - TRAINING - MS/HS 4-430 JAMIE STORYTELLING - 630PM VOLLEYBALL	12 8AM PERSONAL TRAINING 1130 LUNCHTIME FITNESS ACTIVITY 215-615 ASP GYM ACTIVITIES 530 PITCHING 630PM SOCCER	13 8AM PERSONAL TRAINING 9AM & 11AM ELDERS MOVEMENT 215-615 ASP GYM ACTIVITIES 630-10 FAMILY GLOW IN THE DARK NIGHT	14 10AM-6PM 11AM SPORTS CAMP 3PM MOVIE TBD
15	16 GYM OPENS @ 1230PM 215-615 ASP GYM ACTIVITIES 630PM BASKETBALL	17 1130 LUNCHTIME ACTIVITY 215-615 ASP GYM ACTIVITIES 530 PITCHING 630 ADULT DODGEBALL	18 215-615 ASP GYM ACTIVITIES 630PM VOLLEYBALL	19 1130 LUNCHTIME FITNESS ACTIVITY 215-615 ASP GYM ACTIVITIES 530 PITCHING 630PM SOCCER	20 GYM OPENS @ 2PM 215-615 ASP GYM ACTIVITIES 630-10 FAMILY GAME NIGHT	21 10AM-6PM 11AM SPORTS CAMP 3PM MOVIE TBD
22	23 8AM PERSONAL TRAINING 9AM ELDERS MOVEMENT 215-615 ASP GYM ACTIVITIES 630PM BASKETBALL	24 8AM PERSONAL TRAINING 1130 LUNCHTIME FITNESS ACTIVITY 215-615 ASP GYM ACTIVITIES 6PM - TRIBAL ROYALTY TALENT SHOW	25 8AM PERSONAL TRAINING 9AM ELDERS MOVEMENT 215-615 ASP GYM ACTIVITIES 630PM VOLLEYBALL	26 8AM PERSONAL TRAINING 1130 LUNCHTIME FITNESS ACTIVITY 215-615 ASP GYM ACTIVITIES 530 PITCHING 630PM SOCCER	27 HALLOWEEN PARTY - GYM AFTER SCHOOL PUMPKIN DECORATING	28 MS/HS FREIGHT FEST - WILD WAVES GYM CLOSED
29	30 8AM PERSONAL TRAINING 9AM ELDERS MOVEMENT 215-615 ASP GYM ACTIVITIES 630PM BASKETBALL	31 8AM PERSONAL TRAINING HALF DAY - ASP GYM ACTIVITIES 3ON3 BOOSKETBALL TOURNNEY 530PM PITCHING	YM HOURS M-F 8AM-830PM SAT 10AM-6PM (CLOSED 2-230 LUNCH) HOURS SUBJECT TO CHANGE			



AmeriCorps



AmeriCorps
Washington

Port Angeles School District engages **16 volunteers** each year to support students and classrooms through both mentoring and tutoring.

In grades K-6 AmeriCorps focus on reading , math and learning skills.

In middle school the focus is on social emotional learning, how to be a good human and organizational skills

At High School our

AmeriCorps support the academic success of students by helping with homework, encouraging extra curricular activities and providing basic needs when appropriate

Contact Michell Gentry for more information

360-565-1976

mgentry@portangelesschools.org

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Who is eligible?

High School graduates age 18 and older.

Skills needed?

Interest in supporting youth in their education.

Commitment required?

1700 Hours between Sept and July 36-40 hrs per week

or

1200 Hours between Sept and June 27-32 hrs per week

or

900 Hours between Sept and June 22-27 hrs per week

or

450 Hours between Sept and June 12-18 hrs per week

Contact Michell Gentry for more information

360-565-1976

mgentry@portangelesschools.org

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Benefits of Service

Monthly Living Stipend

1700 hrs = 2454 per mo

1200 hrs = 1890 per mo

900 hrs = 1404 per mo

450 hrs = 702 per mo

Education Award

1700 hrs = \$ 6895

1200 hrs = \$ 4827

900 hrs = \$ 3585

450 hrs = \$ 1793

YMCA Membership

Health Insurance

Training/Certifications

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fulfilling year
of service and
opportunity.**



Shop With a Hero



Christmas is right around the corner and Shop With a Hero ramping up with fundraising. Shop With a Hero is a local program modeled after Shop With a Cop. Children are referred to the program through various programs. Each child is paired with a local “hero” – a local law enforcement officer from one of many local departments. There have been volunteers from Port Angeles Police Department, Clallam County Sheriff’s Office, Lower Elwha Police Department, Sequim Police, Port Gamble S’Klallam Police, US Coast Guard, National Parks Enforcement, and Washington State Patrol (to name a few). Each child is given \$100 to Christmas shop for themselves or their family with the help of the hero they are paired with. Gift wrapping is available at the event, as well as pictures with Santa Clause, cookie decorating, hot cocoa, and an opportunity for children to tour the various police/first responder vehicles.

This year the program is hosting a silent auction to raise money for the event. Organizers are seeking donations from local businesses and artists for the event. The auction will be November 10th, at the Heritage Center. More information will be available as plans are laid out. A Facebook page will be set up for Shop With a Hero in the near future. Keep an eye out there for more details about the silent auction and the event itself in December.

If you are an artist and would like to contribute to the silent auction or if you would like to make a donation to the program, contact Jim Thompson at the Justice Center (360)452-6759 ext. 2946, or email jimmy.thompson@elwha.org.



Clallam County
CHILD ADVOCATES (CA)





LEPD

On September 8, the Lower Elwha Police Department hosted a small awards ceremony at the Justice Center. The ceremony was attended by friends, family and tribal leadership.

The department recognized officers for their promotion into various positions. Ernest Grimes was promoted to Sr. Sergeant. Dan LaTourette was promoted to Corporal. Jim Thompson was promoted to Lieutenant. Cody Hesler was assigned as Detective, and Alex Hamrick was assigned as Training Manager shortly after the promotions. These promotions and assignments were earlier in the year, but the officers were recognized all on one day.



Two officers, Detective Cody Hesler and Officer Alex Hamrick, received medals. Detective Hesler received two life-saving awards. Officer Hamrick received a life-saving award and a meritorious service medal.

In 2022, Detective Hesler was at a community event representing the Lower Elwha Police Department/Lower Elwha Klallam Tribe. During the event a child began choking. Using his first aid training, Detective Hesler was able to render aid to the child and prevent a further medical emergency. Detective Hesler was awarded a life-saving award for his actions.

In May of 2023 Detective Hesler and Officer Hamrick responded to multiple incidents where they were able to save a community member's life. In one incident they were able to quickly assess the situation and come to the conclusion that an individual had consumed opioids and had overdosed. They acted quickly and administered naloxone to reverse the effects of the ingested opioids. Detective Hesler and Officer Hamrick were awarded a life-saving medal for their actions.

The following day the same two officers responded to a similar situation. However, naloxone had been administered prior to their arrival. Detective Hesler and Officer Hamrick searched for the person to try and convince him to get medical aid. Officer Hamrick was able to find him and attempted to start a dialogue. The person refused to talk and continued walking away. Eventually the person came upon a bluff and intended to throw himself over the embankment. Officer Hamrick physically restrained the person as long as he could, putting his own safety in jeopardy in an attempt to save the person's life. Officer Hamrick was awarded a meri-





LEPD

2023 Service Record for L & O	Aug.
911 Hang-Up	8
Abandoned Vehicle	1
Alarm/Alarm Check	2
Animal Calls	9
Assault	3
Business Check	164
Citizen Assist	11
Citizen Contact	11
Civil	6
Community Oriented Policing	33
Court Paperwork/Service	14
CPS/APS	2
Death/Unattended Death	3
Disturbance	12
DUI	1
DV	1
Follow Up	21
Found/Recovered/Lost Property	3
Fraud	1
Frequent Patrol Request	80

Junk Vehicle	1
Malicious Mischief	1
Mental/ITA	1
Misc. Info/False Reporting	10
Other Agency Assist	10
Overdue Person	2
Prisoner Transport	3
Prowler/Vehicle Prowler	2
Suspicious Person/Vehicle	6
Theft	1
Threats	1
Traffic Control/Emphasis/Hazard	3
Traffic Stops	34
Trespass	5
Violation of Court Order	2
Vehicle Accidents	6
Welfare Check	9
Warrant Attempts	3
Warrants-Tribal	3
Warrants-Non-Tribal	2
Total	491





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amazing young man! I love
you and hope you have an
awesome birthday!!

Happy Birthday to my brother Wes!
Hope you have an amazing day!

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NUMBER : (360) 452-5550

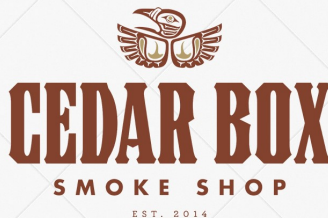
HOURS : 4:30PM - 10:00 PM



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NUMBER : (360) 912-7532

HOURS : 11:00AM - 7:00PM



CEDAR BOX SMOKE SHOP

NUMBER : (360) 452-9250

HOURS : 6:00AM - 7:00PM



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HOURS : 8:00AM - 10:00PM

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CONTACT : MARKETING@ELWHAINC.COM



Resolution List

Date	Resolution Number	Title	Vote		
			For/Against/ Abstain		
8-15-23	85-23	Approval of Deputy tribal prosecutor attorney employment agreement with Shaul Golderg	3	0	0
8-15-23	86-23	Approval of Orthodontics program policy revision	3	0	0
8-15-23	88-23	Approval of liquor sales at the Elwha Food and Fuel	3	0	0
8-15-23	89-23	Approval of \$574,150.57 budget modification of funding from year one of 90C101003001 to year four of 90C1003004 for Early head start and head start programs	3	0	0
8-15-23	90-23	Approval of \$554,908.29 budget modification of funding from year two 90C1003002 to year four 90C101003004 for Early head start and head start programs	3	0	0
8-15-23	91-23	Approval of \$318,608.08 budget modification of funding from year three of 90C101003003 to year four of 90C101003004 for Early head start and head start programs	3	0	0
8-15-23	92-23	Approval of personal services contract between LEKT and Natural systems design for Indian Creek, phase 2 restoration	3	0	0
8-15-23	93-23	Approval to submit FY 2023 Mass Marking research funding proposal	3	0	0
9-1-23	95-23	Approval of attached application materials, terms and conditions for Low-income household energy assistance program	4	0	0
9-1-23	96-23	Approval of purchase of Sprinter mobile medical van from Matthews specialty Inc.	4	0	0





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Dates to Remember:

10/3 Rattle Carving
10/10 Drum Group
10/9 Indigenous Day
10/14 Blanket Demonstrations at Field Hall
10/17 “Parent In the Know” Prevention Class
10/17 Rattle Carving
10/18 Clallam County Job Fair
10/18 DV Awareness Walk
10/21 Field Hall Exhibit closes
10/22 Rattle Carving
10/24 Tribal Royalty Competition
10/27 Halloween Party
10/31 Halloween



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